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## "Building 1 Community"

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### **MESSAGE FROM COUNCILMEMBER LEZOTTE**

Greetings from Council District 1! As a fellow District 1 resident, I encourage my neighbors to participate in some of these upcoming Citywide and District 1 events. Please feel free to share this information with your friends and community members as we all work to "Build 1 Community".

If you have any questions about this or any other issues, please do not hesitate to email me at [Linda.LeZotte@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Linda.LeZotte@sanjoseca.gov) or contact my office at (408) 277- 5438.

### **Upcoming District 1 Events**

**Cypress Senior Center Spring Fashion Show**  
**Friday, May 20, 2005**  
**11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**  
**403 Cypress Ave.**

Join the seniors of Cypress Senior Center for their Annual Spring Fashion Show. For more information, please call (408) 244-1353

**Friends of Calabazas Library Book Sale**  
**Saturday, May 21, 2005**  
**10:00a.m. – 3:00p.m.**  
**Calabazas Library Parking Lot**  
**1230 Blaney Ave. San Jose**

For more info, please contact (408) 996-1536

**Westside Property Owners Association**  
**General Meeting**  
**Tuesday, June 7, 2005**  
**7:00 p.m. –8:00 p.m.**  
**Starbird Community Center**  
**1050 Boynton Ave.**

General meetings for the Westside Property Owners Association are held the first Tuesday of every month at Starbird Community Center.

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**Westside Property Owners Association  
Curb Stenciling Project  
Saturday, June 11, 2005**

Members of the Westside Property owners Association will be stenciling new curb numbers on their properties. If you would like to volunteer, please email President Sybil Crutchfield at [scrutch413@aol.com](mailto:scrutch413@aol.com).

**Cypress Senior Center Father's Day Celebration  
Friday, June 17, 2005  
11a.m.-12p.m.  
403 Cypress Ave.**

The seniors at Cypress Senior Center will be celebrating Father's Day. For more information, please call (408) 244-1353.

**Summer Reading @ West Valley Library  
Starting June 18, 2005  
1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd.**

Be a Super Hero this summer! Join Summer Reading at West Valley Branch. For more information, please call (408) 244-4766.

**Murdock Park Neighborhood Barbecue  
June 18, 2005**

The Murdock Park Neighborhood will be hosting a barbecue for their association and neighbors.

**Eden Neighborhood Barbecue  
June 25, 2005**

The Eden Neighborhood will be hosting a barbecue for their association and neighbors.

**Upcoming Citywide Events****Youth Science Institute Insect Fair  
Saturday, May 21, 2005  
10a.m. -4p.m.  
YSI Nature Center  
Sanborn County Park, Saratoga  
Free to YSI members, \$3 Adults, Children \$1**

Come enjoy a butterfly exhibit, bug-themed bake sale, children's crafts, worm composting and meet a Great Horned Owl! For more information, please call (408) 356-4945.

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### **Trail Connections San Jose City Wide Trail System Wednesday, May 25, 2005 5:30-6:30 p.m. Free!**

Whether you want to take your bike to work everyday or go for a leisurely stroll, the trail you use and its connections to other trails really make the difference in your experience. Join the Friends of Guadalupe River Park & Gardens and San Jose's City Wide Trail System manager, Yves Zsutty, to find out about the current trail system, the challenges being faced to expand connections and what the future holds for the San Jose's Trail System.

The presentation will be held at the Guadalupe Garden Center, located at 715 Spring Street. Space is limited; so reserve your spot early by contacting Kary Wilson at [education@grpq.org](mailto:education@grpq.org) or 408-298-7657.

### **Neighborhood Spotlight – ACUDIR**

Join Council District 1 in welcoming a new association recently formed in District 1. ACUDIR is a monolingual Spanish speaking association consisting of tenants. ACUDIR is a Spanish acronym, which translates to *Community Association United for the Progress and Equality of Residents*. Meetings are held primarily in Spanish and membership is open to tenants Citywide.

Currently, ACUDIR has been focusing efforts to improve the area of Cadillac, Williamsburg and Eden Avenues. Issues the association is currently working on include: traffic calming, crime prevention, tenants' rights.

For more information on ACUDIR, please contact Pastor Joseph Leon at (408) 248-8402.

### **District 1 Sponsored Neighborhood Clean-Ups**

6/18/05 – Calabazas North  
9/24/05 – Joaquin Miller/Lynbrook/Saratoga Creek  
11/05/05 – Country Lane Neighborhood  
1/21/06 – Blackford/Anderson/Starbird  
3/11/06 – Lynhaven/Eden  
5/13/06 – Payne/ Hathaway/Castro

For more information regarding our upcoming Neighborhood Clean-ups, please contact Maria Le at (408) 277-2379.

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## **Neighborhood Updates**

### **Re-opening of Saratoga Park!**

Saratoga Park is now open to the public after renovation to the irrigation system has been complete.

### **Saratoga Creek Trail Update:**

Update from Trails Manager Yves Zsutty:

- *The California Department of Fish & Game (CDFG) permit requires that no work occurs in the riparian area between October 31 to June 1.*
- *The project should be open to the public by the end of December 2005. Construction will resume June 1, 2005*
- *Public access cannot be permitted on a construction site due to safety issues.*

For more info, please call Yves Zsutty at (408) 794-1302

### **Strong Neighborhoods Initiative (SNI) Project Area Committee (PAC) Update**

The SNI PAC was established in January 2002 to fulfill redevelopment legal requirements and to serve as an advisory board for the Strong Neighborhoods Initiative process. The SNI PAC is composed of residential owner-occupants, residential tenants, business owners, and members of community organizations in SNI areas.

The SNI PAC has been granted a one-year extension to continue to act as an advisory board for the Strong Neighborhoods process. Residents from District 1 on the PAC include: Bob Crutchfield, Dave Moffatt and Doug Ownbey. Thanks Bob, Dave & Doug for your continued support!

## **Grant & Volunteer Information**



### **ADOPT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD PARK! Gleason Mini Park Open for Adoption**

Adopt-A-Park is a City of San José volunteer program that recruits and trains residents to assist in the general care and maintenance of neighborhood parks and other parkland on City property. Our volunteers are: individuals, families, school groups, church groups, clubs, and businesses.

Typical volunteer responsibilities include:

- Litter pick up
- Graffiti removal
- Pulling weeds, raking and sweeping
- Report park hazards

For more information, please contact Adopt-a-Park at (408) 277-4477 or email: [adoptapark@sanjoseca.org](mailto:adoptapark@sanjoseca.org)

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**San Jose Beautiful Steering Committee Openings**

San Jose Beautiful is currently seeking steering committee members. Volunteers are able to get involved in their own chosen capacity. For more information, please contact Margaret Wagenet at (408) 392-6746 or visit our website at [www.sjbeautiful.org](http://www.sjbeautiful.org)

**Bank of America Neighborhood Excellence Initiative Grants**

The Bank of America Neighborhood Excellence Initiative is designed to recognize, nurture and reward the organizations; local heroes and student leaders that are helping their neighborhoods achieve excellence.

The deadline for applications is:

June 30, 2005 -8:00p.m. (ET)

For more information, please visit the website at [www.bankofamerica.com/foundation](http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation)

**Future Topics:  
Let us know!**

If you would like to include any announcements or event information from your neighborhood in future issues, please contact Maria Le at (408) 277-2379 or email at [maria.le@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:maria.le@sanjoseca.gov)